Legalizing and making available physician-assisted suicide I believe is way overdue, and a huge benefit to individuals and their families, allowing those nearing end of life to make a deeply personal decision with dignity.

Please consider SUPPORTING this bill, and making it as widely available as possible, with a fairly broad definition of those who would be eligible. I am a healthy fifty-something who would like to think that when I reach an age and/or level of infirmity where I am no longer enjoying life – that I would be able to make a reasonable choice in the matter. Understanding that this statement is beyond the boundaries you currently are considering, nonetheless I believe the current bill to be a much-needed next step toward a more dignified future. My mother passed away a couple of years ago and luckily passed through the "terminal" stage fairly quickly; however, it is easy to understand how devastating it would have been for her to have had that level of pain for an extended period.

Thank you. Beth Reinhardt 23 Crestview Ln Danbury CT 06810